

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE AND SEALER OF WEIGHTS & MEASURES

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Agricultural Advisory Board

MINUTES

December 13, 2010 Stanislaus County Farm Bureau 11:30 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Kathy Anderson Alan Cover John Herlihy Tom Orvis Ed Perry Wayne Zipser

Board Members Absent:

Lisa Funk Arby Hoobyar Richard Gibson Norman Kline Tom Maring

Ex-Officio Board Members:

Supervisor Jim DeMartini – Present Supervisor Vito Chiesa (Alternate) – Present Gary Caseri, Ag Commissioner – Present Diana Waller, USDA-NRCS - Present Rowe Barney, DER & Parks - Present

Others Present:

Nicole Damin, DER & Parks Horacio Ferriz, DER & Parks Vance Kennedy, Hydrologist/Farmer Raul Mendez, Stan Co. Chief Executive Office Milton O'Haire, Ag Commissioner's Office Debbie Wohld, Ag Commissioner's Office

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Vance Kennedy handed out an information sheet and spoke about the Road Scholar Program. This educational program for seniors is widely available across the U.S. and Canada. He hopes to bring this program to Stanislaus County and the Central Valley. He would like input from those involved in agriculture in our community.

A moment of silence was held in memory of Ciara Chiesa.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 4, 2010 MEETING

It was M/S/P (unanimous) to approve the November 1, 2010 minutes.

IV. STATUS OF GROUNDWATER ORDINANCE REFERRAL

Gary Caseri, Stanislaus County Agricultural Commissioner, reported that the final draft of the Groundwater Export Ordinance (Regulation) was referred to CEO Rick Robinson. The final draft will now undergo a legal review by County Counsel. Any changes will be brought back to the Ag Advisory Board. Commissioner Caseri noted that he will keep the Board updated.

V. NEXT MEETING

A. Meeting Date/Time:

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, January 10, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. at the Stanislaus County Ag Center, Conference Room H/I

- B. Agenda Items
 - ✓ Alternative Buffers, if applicable
 - ✓ Ag Element Review

Please contact John Herlihy, Gary Caseri or Debbie Wohld with items you wish placed on the agenda.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman John Herlihy adjourned the meeting.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Wohld Ag Commissioner's Office Stanislaus County